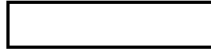


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Major General John A. Sanford  
Director of Intelligence  
Department of the Air Force  
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Sanford:

The Consultants on National Estimates are meeting in [redacted] on 1 and 2 October. At this meeting the drafts of NIE-64, Part I (Soviet Bloc Capabilities, through Mid-1953), and Part II (Probable Soviet Courses of Action through Mid-1953), and NIE-47 (Communist Intentions and Capabilities in Asia) will be reviewed.

I believe you would have much to contribute to the discussion and that you would find it interesting to hear the comments of this well-informed and detached group on our estimates. I should like, therefore, to extend an invitation to you personally to attend one or both days of the meeting.

If you would be good enough to let me know whether you personally can attend, I will be glad to see that necessary arrangements are made.

Sincerely,

WALTER B. SMITH  
Director

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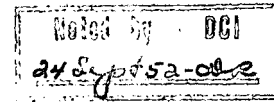
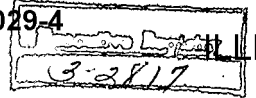
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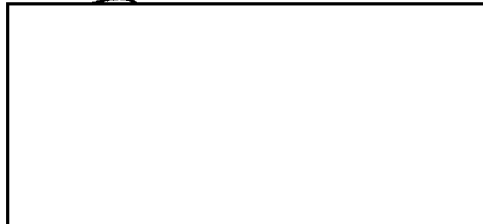


22 September 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

In compliance with your suggestion of last Friday,  
I enclose draft letters to General Samford and General  
Partridge inviting them to attend the next meeting of  
the  Consultants Group.

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